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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, DIAXX-4

ATTENTION :

SUBJECT :

Ground Truth Exercises at Fort Bliss, Texas

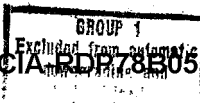
1. The National Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC) is presently under contract with [] in an effort to establish what Essential Elements of Information can be obtained from [] Reconnaissance Imagery. This effort is a part of a larger Intelligence Community effort; the primary participants being the United States Air Force (Rome Air Development Center) and Central Intelligence Agency. The effort consists of making overflights of specific facilities of National interest during a five-day period while ground truth teams are concurrently measuring certain parameters within the facility.

2. Fort Bliss has been chosen as a facility of National interest; therefore, it is requested that permission be obtained from this organization to make the overflights and ground measurements. Because of the special nature of this target, it is highly desirable that [] describe the contemplated operation and associated logistical problems with the appropriate Fort Bliss personnel early in May. Ideally, overflights will be made during the last week in May or the first week in June.

3. The ground truth team will consist of the following individuals:

4. The points that will require ground measurements will be determined during the initial meeting with [] and Fort Bliss personnel. The teams will be making radiometric measurements and taking ground photographs. The point of contact within NPIC will be []. In his absence, [] will serve as the contact point. Correspondence should be addressed to Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C. 20505--with the letter itself directed to [] attention.

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5. A reply to this request would be appreciated as soon as practical indicating when this operation can be undertaken.



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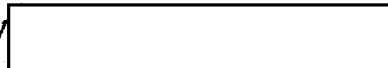
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